## ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: KCX-274 (15145)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| Applicants: | Wallajapet, et al.                             | )      | Examiner:              | Mark Halpern |
|-------------|--|--------|------------------------|--------------|
| Appl. No.:  | 09/643,979                                     | )      | Art Unit/T.C.: 1731    |              |
| Filed:      | August 22, 2000                                | )      | Customer No.: 04-1403  |              |
| Title:      | Tissue Products Having<br>Increased Absorbency | )<br>) | Confirmation No.: 1403 |              |

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In conjunction with the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) submitted herewith and in response to the Final Office Action dated June 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.